# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 18 Apr 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 19 Apr 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 17 Apr 2021 at 11:50 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** Generally high but low confidence for Tuesday for timing of weather front bringing low cloud and patchy rain.

**Headline for Sunday 18 Apr 2021:** Cloudy with patchy light rain. Cold and windy on the tops.

**Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 18 Apr 2021**

**Blizzards**
No Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**
No Likelihood

**Gales**
Low Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**
Low Likelihood

**Poor visibility**
Medium Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**
No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**
No Likelihood

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | | | |
| 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| Cloudy | Cloudy | Light rain | Light rain | Cloudy | Light rain | Cloudy | Cloudy |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | | | |
| <05% | <05% | 40% | 60% | 50% | 40% | 40% | 30% |

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**Weather:** Outbreaks of rain, with a little snow on Munro tops, spreads east in the early hours. A cloudy day with outbreaks of mainly light rain or drizzle, perhaps heavy at times over Knoydart and the Cuillins. Driest across Assynt and the far north.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 20-40%. Best chance in the north.

**Visibility:** Areas of low cloud with bases 500-700m, but patches on lower slopes on the Cuillins. Patchy cloud cover over ranges north of a line from Torridon across to Dingwall. Below the cloud, fairly hazy with distant hills obscured.

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**Forecast for Sunday 18 Apr 2021**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) | | | | | Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | 34/44 S | 32/43 S | 32/41 S | 33/41 S | 28/37 S | 21/28 S | 17/23 S | 14/19 S | 12/17 S |
| **900** | 32/42 S | 31/42 S | 31/40 S | 29/38 S | 26/34 S | 19/26 S | 16/22 S | 14/19 S | 11/16 S |
| **600** | 18/28 S | 17/27 S | 19/27 S | 21/29 S | 20/28 S | 14/22 S | 10/16 S | 9/14 S | 8/15 S |
| **300** | 4/24 S | 8/24 S | 6/24 S | 7/24 S | 9/25 S | 7/21 S | 4/15 S | 4/13 S | 4/11 S |
| **Glen** | 6/18 SE | 7/15 SW | 6/16 S | 9/21 S | 11/23 S | 9/20 S | 6/13 SW | 4/10 SE | 5/11 SE |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | 0/-7 | 0/-8 | 0/-8 | 1/-7 | 2/-5 | 3/-3 | 2/-3 | 2/-2 | 2/-2 |
| **900** | 1/-6 | 1/-6 | 1/-7 | 2/-5 | 3/-3 | 3/-2 | 3/-2 | 3/-2 | 3/-1 |
| **600** | 4/-1 | 3/-2 | 3/-2 | 4/-1 | 5/0 | 6/1 | 5/2 | 5/2 | 5/2 |
| **300** | 6/4 | 6/3 | 5/3 | 7/5 | 8/5 | 8/6 | 7/6 | 6/5 | 6/5 |
| **Glen** | 8/7 | 8/6 | 8/6 | 9/7 | 10/7 | 10/8 | 9/8 | 9/8 | 8/7 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 1200m | 1500m | 1800m | 2000m | 2000m | 2000m | 1900m | 1900m | 1900m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
A significant wind chill on the tops, especially in the damp conditions up in the cloud. Gusts of 50mph over the Cuillin ridge in the morning.

**Forecast for Monday 19 Apr 2021**
**Weather:** A cloudy start with the odd spot of rain then a mainly dry day with bright or sunny spells. Feeling quite warm on lower slopes. Outbreaks of rain may affect Skye and far western mainland during the day then spreads east in the evening.

**Maximum wind:** South 25-30mph, gusts 40mph.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 30% becoming 80% by afternoon.

**Visibility:** Areas of cloud above 600 or 700m at first, lifting by the afternoon with just summit patches remaining. Good visibility below the cloud. Cloud bases lowing to 500 or 600m in the evening.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 7C rising to 12 to 14C.
**At 800m:** Plus 3C rising to 7 or 8C.
**Freezing level:** Above summits.

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